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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIA INITIATES ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION ON
US, CANADIAN LLDP

REF: ALBRIGHT 4/29/09 EMAIL TO WEISEL/SHEA/KOCH/ROLLIN

[¶1](#). On May 28 Australian Customs and Border Protection Service informed Embassy that it has initiated an investigation into alleged dumping of linear low density polyethylene (LLDP) from the US and Canada; the decision was also published in the May 28 edition of national newspaper The Australian. Per Australian Customs Dumping Notice No. 2009/12 (emailed separately to State, USTR, and DOC/ITA), the investigation, brought upon complaint by Qenos Pty Ltd, described as Australia's only manufacturer of LLDP, will cover the period January 1 2008 to March 31 2009.

[¶2](#). Timing of the investigation is mandated by legislation, and is described in greater detail in the Notice 2009/12. Interested parties may lodge submissions by July 7. Customs will issue a statement of essential facts by September 15, with interested parties able to respond within 20 days. A recommendation will be made to the Home Affairs minister by October 30.

[¶3](#). Comment: This appears to be the first new anti-dumping investigation against a product from the United States since the US-Australia FTA went into effect on January 1, 2005.

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